

HILO TOWN IS PANIC STRICKEN.

Sheriff William Would Not Allow
Hall Passengers to Land.

PROVISIONS ARE GROWING SHORT.

Hilo People Will Use Armed Force to
Prevent Passengers from Being
Landed—Steamer Hawaii Chartered
to Bring Rice to the Plantations.

In a private letter, dated September 5th, from a well-known resident of Kau, Hawaii, the following accurate information regarding the attempt of the captain of the steamer W. G. Hall to land passengers and freight at Hawaii ports, is contained:

"The Hall arrived at Punaluu this morning with freight and passengers, but Deputy Sheriff Williams telephoned over from Hilo not to allow any passengers or freight to be landed. By the time his message arrived at Punaluu, all the passengers had been landed on the wharf. They were, however, refused permission to leave it.

"When the Deputy Sheriff heard passengers had been landed he ordered William Yates, his deputy in Kau, to have them sent on board the Hall again, and in case of resistance being offered, to use force.

"The Deputy Sheriff sent the following note to Captain Simerson:

PUNALUU, Sept. 5, 1895.
CAPTAIN SIMERSON, on board steamer
W. G. Hall.

DEAR SIR:—According to strict orders of G. H. Williams, Deputy Sheriff of Hawaii, I hereby notify you that it is his orders that you will not land any passengers or freight on the island of Hawaii.

Respectfully yours,
W. J. YATES,
Deputy Sheriff for Kau.

"It seems that a mass meeting of citizens had been held at Hilo Court House September 4th. A committee had been appointed to confer with the agent of the Board of Health in regard to the landing of passengers and freight on the island of Hawaii. They concluded to allow nothing but the mail to land.

"The same committee met this morning with the agent of the Board of Health in the Sheriff's office in Hilo. Deputy Sheriff Williams' action in not allowing the Hall to land anything but the mail was fully endorsed.

"The passengers made a most terrific kick, but concluded to go aboard again, as there was no other alternative.

"Nearly everybody, except the planters, back Williams in the stand he has taken. The report from Hilo is that if the planters try to land any freight or passengers from Honolulu the citizens will meet them half-way with rifles. If the planters do attempt anything it will have to be with force.

"Had the passengers from the Hall landed and gone to the volcano, there would have been a guard put on the road from Hilo to the volcano and nobody from this side would have been allowed to go to Hilo. We would in that case have been in quarantine.

"The citizens are red hot against the Board of Health for sending up the Chinamen from the quarantine station. I understand from good authority that the Kilaeua Hou landed the Chinamen before the physician received his instructions from the Board of Health. The people say, had they known they were to be landed along the Hamakua coast, they would have stopped them, and that on a very short notice too.

"A guard is to be put on at Kahuku ranch to stop all communications between this and the Kona district, as the Hall landed freight all along the coast on her way up. A passenger or two were landed also.

"The Hilo planters have chartered the steamer Hawaii. She will leave tomorrow morning for Kauai and the windward side of Oahu in search of rice, etc. She expects to get supplies from either Kauai or Koolan, Oahu. The plantations have enough provisions to last them from two to three weeks.

"Planters on the other side are writing by this mail to their agents and will have them charter a steamer in San Francisco. She can come direct to Hilo with a load of supplies.

"The new telephone line from here through Kona is now within two miles of Hookea, and Lakalo, the Deputy-Sheriff, telephoned this morning that they were to hold a mass meeting of the people from all the districts and send a petition to the Government asking them not to allow any more passengers or freight to be landed in Kona. The Sheriff's orders are not to allow the Hall to land any freight on her way down."

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

KAU (Hawaii), Sept. 6.—The Hall arrived at Punaluu at 6:30 o'clock this morning with tourist passengers and freight, the former taken direct from the Australia without landing in Honolulu, but notwithstanding this fact and that the Hall herself had not been alongside the wharf in Honolulu or any of her crew having been ashore and carrying a clean bill of health from the Board of Health, imperative orders in compliance with the wishes of the Hilo people was telephoned over that passengers and freight should not be allowed to be put ashore, the passengers were allowed to reach and land on the wharf and a conference took place on the telephone between Dr. Capron and Deputy Sheriff Yates of Kau on the one side and Sheriff Williams of Hilo on the other, the former gentleman putting the fact before Mr. Williams that as the Hall had left Honolulu with a clean bill of health, that the passengers had been transferred direct from the Australia without touching shore and that Captain Simerson char-

ried a permit from the Board of Health to land passengers and freight, there could be no danger in putting the same ashore, but no arguments could prevail against the stolidity of Williams whose only reply to all arguments was that nobody nor nothing was to be allowed to land and on learning that the tourists were on the wharf he gave an emphatic order that they be ordered into the boat and if resistance was offered that force should be used to compel them to comply.

Some rather emphatic language was used during the conversation on the wire, such as "d—n the Board of Health, we can run this island ourselves and will do it," and it was plainly developed that Hilo has reached a stage of first-class panic. Amongst other things that were said was that if the Hall landed freight, Kau would be quarantined.

If this force of quarantining a healthy vessel is kept up, we in Kau shall soon be in a state of famine, there is about one week's supply of provisions on hand and when that is gone there is nothing but starvation to face us.

It is said that the steamer Hawaii is chartered by Hilo planters to go look for rice round the islands, but there is little comfort in this as it is not likely she can gather enough to serve all the plantations.

There are many rumors around as to what the Hilo people have threatened to do under certain circumstances, such as, if any attempt was made to land in Hilo from any vessel coming from Honolulu armed resistance would be made and that if it had been known that the Belgic Chinamen were to be landed by the Kilaeua Hou at the different plantations, that an army of Hiloites would have been detailed to resist such landing. Taken altogether it can be said that Hilo people are in a very dangerous state of panic in which they are not capable of thinking of anybody's rights but their own, in fact they seem not capable of thinking at all but are wholly carried away by the impulse of their panic stricken nerves.

PRECAUTIONS AT LAHAINA.

Another Meeting of Citizens—Ob-
ject to Landing Chinese.

LAHAINA (Maui), Sept. 5.—Wednesday morning, August 28th, a call was circulated for a citizens' meeting to be held in the Lahaina court house at 7 o'clock in the evening. Judge Kahalelo was in the chair. In the absence of Mr. Nahaolelua, John Richardson was chosen interpreter. The chairman stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of ascertaining the news regarding the cholera. A letter from W. O. Smith to Dr. Davidson was read by the secretary. It stated that there had been six definite cases of cholera in Honolulu, five proving fatal; but that there had not been a new case for three days at the time the letter was written. The secretary also read a letter from Cecil Brown to F. H. Hayseiden stating that one condition on which the Mokoli had been allowed to go out was that there was to be no mingling of the crew with the people on shore. It was noted in the discussion that no orders to that effect had been received at Lahaina and that the condition had not been observed here. The secretary then read a letter from Sheriff Andrews to Deputy-Sheriff Baldwin, saying that the action of Dr. Davidson in refusing to allow the freight of the Kaala to be landed at Lahaina had met with general approval.

Mr. Hayseiden reported that the services of the committee appointed at the last meeting had been accepted by the agents of the Board of Health and that they had been at work. Mr. Baldwin spoke appreciatively of the work done by the committee. As it was generally conceded that the work to be done was entirely too great for six men to accomplish, fourteen more were appointed to work under the direction of Dr. Davidson. The meeting then adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Considerable indignation is felt at Lahaina at the manner in which the Board of Health seems to have trifled with the matter of quarantine. Provisions and feed are brought from Maui in whale boats, because the Hall is commanded not to carry freight between ports here lest the disease be spread by the sailors, who left Honolulu a week ago. Yet Chinamen are landed at Kahului by sailors who left Honolulu much later. This seems to need an explanation. If the Board had given the people the benefit of the doubt and kept the Chinamen away till the contagion was beyond doubt, they would have avoided a number of unpleasant remarks.

Unhappy Kau District.

A correspondent writing from Kau states that unless provisions arrive soon there will be a famine. The residents of the district do not approve of Deputy Sheriff Williams' action. The writer also states that Hilo people threaten to put guards at the Volcano House if Kau does not cut off communication with Kona.

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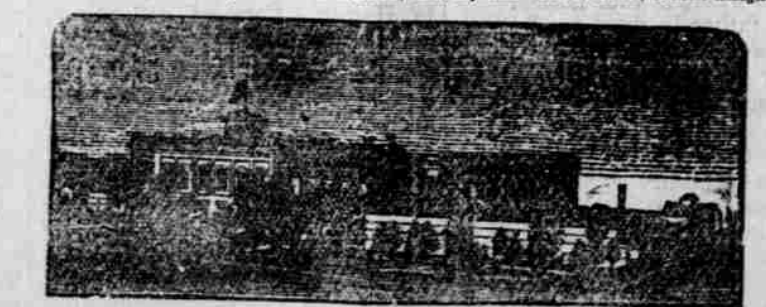
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